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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



Waniwa Lester, Last Supper



Welcome to St Philip's

<u>Check-in</u>: it is a requirement that everyone checks in via the *CBR Check In* app. If you need assistance the Sidespeople/Welcomers can check you in, we have masks available too. If you are unsure of current restrictions the ACT Chief Health Officer's latest update (2 July) can be found at: https://health.act.gov.au/sites/default/files/2021-07/COVID-19%20Advice%20for%20high%20risk%20settings 02072021.pdf

There is a printed copy in the porch. We are asking all folk to be aware of the restrictions, to be careful and thorough with their hand hygiene, to be mindful of social distance and not to attend church if they feel unwell.

<u>Pew sheet & Order of Service</u>: the Pew sheet including a complete order of service with hymns is available on our website. The QR code in the pews will direct you to the current edition, please use your phone/tablet and follow along. Alternatively hymn books, service cards and this printed abridged Pew sheet is available.

<u>Offertory</u>: at the offertory when our gifts are brought forward, there is an opportunity for you to make your contribution. A self-serve Eftpos machine is available in the foyer, you can use it before or after the service. St Philip's EFT details are also available if you would like to make a direct transfer. Giving cards are in the foyer if you wish to place something in the offertory bag after giving electronically.

<u>Communion</u>: if you are baptised you are welcome to receive communion, which at present is in 'one kind.' If you would like to receive a blessing please cross your hands on your chest as you come forward.

<u>Breakfast or Morning Tea</u>: all our services are followed with hospitality in the Lamerton Centre, please join us - 'Come & See'

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

When I arrived in Australia back in 1982 I had little, if any, knowledge of the indigenous people of this continent. Colonial history was certainly not on the curriculum at school – I do recall learning about the 'Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area' in geography, but that was it. Shortly after my arrival (I was 21) I heard 'Midnight Oil' on the radio, and very soon I managed to see them live at the now demolished Melbourne Entertainment Centre. I bought their records and I recall sending copies to my brother at home – at that stage we hadn't heard of them in the UK. With such tracks as 'Beds are Burning' and 'Truganini' I learnt something of Australian pop culture and politics, particularly the politics of aboriginality, it was quite a learning!

Lead singer Peter Garrett of course went on become a Labor politician and government minister but nearly 40 years later the music of 'the Oils' still resonates, the problems remain.

There is an ever present sense of weariness when it comes to some of the seemingly intractable problems we face, be it indigenous reconciliation or peace in the Middle East, but such issues serve to remind us of the timeless message of our faith and our vocation to remain steadfast. Our weariness is perhaps is born out of the rhetoric that has dominated the issue of reconciliation in this nation. But the Christian faith in our tradition and spirituality is one centred on the Eucharist. Reconciliation then is not something that we consider from time to time but a way of life, not a question for discussion, but a way of living.

In Eucharistic spirituality we are not seeking reconciliation, we are celebrating the reconciliation that is already ours and which we yearn for others to grasp. When we are tempted to doubt that progress is being made, we need to remind ourselves of what has already been achieved and live in such a way that makes it a reality in our time.

Blessings to you all, *Martin* 0478 619 911 rector@stphilipsoconnor.org.au

Today's Liturgy

Introit Hymn 282 (t.411) TiS (10am) The voice of God goes out through all the world: God's glory speaks across the universe. The great King's herald cries from star to star: With pow'r, with justice, he will be his way.

The Lord has said: "Receive my messenger, My promise to the world, my pledge made flesh, A lamp to every nation, light from light: With power, with justice, he will be his way. The broken reed he will not trample down, Nor set his heel upon the dying flame, He binds the wounds, and health is in his hand: With power, with justice, he will walk his way.

Anointed with the Spirit and with power, He comes to crown with comfort all the weak, To show the face of justice to the poor: With power, with justice, he will walk his way.

His touch will bless the eyes that darkness held, The lame shall run, the halting tongue shall sing, And prisoners laugh in light and liberty: With power, with justice, he will walk his way.

> Luke Connaughton 1917-79 Tune: Woodlands; Walter Greatorex

We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today the Ngunnawal people. We would also like to pay our respects to the Elders past, present and future. We acknowledge all other Aboriginal peoples present.

Entrance Antiphon

Who shall stand in the Lord's holy place? Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their hands to what is false

Psalm 24:3-4

In the name of the Father, ♣ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

'Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you ♠ and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God,
open our eyes to see your hand at work
in the splendour of creation
and in the beauty of human life.
Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us,
to share our blessings with our sisters and brothers,
and to experience the joy of life in your presence;
through our Lord Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

Today's Readings

A reading from the book of the prophet Amos (7:7-14)

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. ⁸And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said,

'See, I am setting a plumb-line

in the midst of my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by;

9 the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said,

"Jeroboam shall die by the sword,

and Israel must go into exile

away from his land." '

¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycomore trees, ¹⁵and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

Psalm 85:8-13

I will hear what the Lord God will speak:

for he will speak peace to his people,

to his faithful ones, whose hearts are turned to him.

Truly his salvation is near to those that fear him: and his glory shall dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth are met together:

righteousness and peace have kissed each other;

Truth shall flourish out of the earth:

and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The Lord will also give us all that is good:

and our land shall yield its plenty.

For righteousness shall go before him: and tread the path before his feet.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians (1:1-14)

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,

To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus:

²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children

through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Gradual Hymn 253 TiS (10am)

O Lord Jesus Marrkapmirr, All the power belongs to you. Hold me by this power, O Lord, You alone are king.

Now we praise you for your Word, Living, true, and full of light. Yours the hands that rest on me: Hold me for all time.

Aboriginal people of Arnhem Land 'Marrkapmirr' is a term of endearment, and means in this context 'altogether lovely, and worthy of affection'.

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

I will hear what the Lord God will speak: for he will speak peace to his people.

Psalm 85:8

Alleluia! (8am) The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (6:14-29)

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' ¹⁵But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

¹⁷For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to

him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' ²³And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' ²⁴She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' ²⁵Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb. For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Let us affirm the faith of the church

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, ** and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember those in need, particularly: Ros, Ben, Gage, Hugh, Sarah, Myrle, Margot, David, Otto, Joan, Mandy, Bob and Noel, those unable to gather with us, those in hospital, residential or home care and those from whom we are isolated.

We commend to God the recently departed, those whose anniversaries fall at this time; Jim McCaskie (16/7/2000), all whose memories are dear to us, and those who have no one to remember them.

Offertory Hymn 188 TiS (10am) Where wide sky rolls down and touches red sand, where sun turns to gold the grass of the land, let spinifex, mulga and waterhole tell their joy in the One who made everything well.

Where rain-forest calm meets reef, tide and storm, where green things grow lush and oceans are warm, let every sea-creature and tropical bird exult in the light of the life-giving Word.

Where red gum and creek cross hillside and plain, where cool tree-ferns rise to welcome the rain, let bushland, farm, mountain-top, all of their days delight in the Spirit who formed them for praise.

Now, people of faith, come gather around with songs to be shared, for blessings abound! Australians, whatever your culture or race, come, lift up your hearts to the Giver of grace.

Elizabeth J Smith 1956-

The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory And for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise, glory and honour, be yours at all times, in every place, holy and loving father, true and living God.

We praise you that through your eternal Word you brought the universe into being and made us in your own image.

You have given us this earth to care for and delight in, and with its bounty you preserve our life.

We thank you that you bound yourself to the human race with the promises of a gracious covenant and called us to serve you in love and peace.

Above all we give you thanks for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ: born as one of us, he lived our common life and offered his life to you in perfect obedience and trust.

By his death he delivered us from sin, brought us new life, and reconciled us to you and to one another.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

> Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth and full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy God, we thank you

for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that we who eat and drink them in obedience to our Saviour Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, may be partakers of his body and blood, and be made one with him and with each other in peace and love.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:

proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

As we eat and drink this holy sacrament, renew us by your Holy Spirit that we may be united in the body of your Son and serve you as a royal priesthood in the joy of your eternal kingdom

Receive our praises Father,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom and in whom,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
we worship you in songs of never-ending praise:
Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

As this broken bread was once many grains, which have been gathered together and made one bread:

so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace. The Gifts of God for the People of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion Antiphon

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us.

Ephesians 1: 7-8

The Sending out of God's People

Let us pray:
Gracious God,
we thank you that in this sacrament
you assure us of your goodness and love.
Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving
and help us to grow in love and obedience
that we may serve you in the world
and finally be brought to that table
where all your saints feast with you for ever.

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Φ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn 672 TiS (10am) Lord of earth and all creation, let your love possess this land: wealth, and freedom, far horizons, mountain, forest, shining sand: may we share, in faith and friendship, gifts unmeasured from your hand.

People of the ancient Dreamtime, they who found this country first, ask with those, the later comers, will our dream be blessed or cursed? Grant us Lord, new birth. New living, hope for which our children thirst.

Lord, life giving healing Spirit, on our hurts your mercy shower; lead us by your inward dwelling, guiding, guarding, every hour. Bless and keep our land Australia: In your will her peace and power.

Michael Thwaites AO 1915-2005 and Honor Thwaites 1914-1993 Tune: Westminster Abbey

A Reflection

What does it mean to be an Indigenous Christian in Australia today? It's a question that invokes the difficult and contested history of colonisation and racial tension in this country. How did most Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families come by their Christian faith? Via missionaries and

mission stations, to where thousands of Indigenous people were forcibly relocated, away from their traditional lands and the songs and stories that linked them to those lands. And yet, more than half of the Indigenous population today identifies as Christian. Elders of the community, while they express sorrow for the stolen children, land and wages, also recall happy memories from their mission station days. They express gratitude for the missionaries who taught them to read the Bible and worship the crucified and risen Jesus.

It's July, a significant month for Australia's Indigenous people. It was in July 1871 that Reverend Samuel MacFarlane, sponsored by the London Missionary Society, arrived in the Torres Strait Islands, triggering a religious and cultural transformation that is still celebrated today—the Coming of Light festival. July also plays host to NAIDOC, a nationwide celebration of Australia's Indigenous cultures. The annual event dates back to 1938, when Aboriginal church networks, led by Indigenous activist William Cooper, promoted a National Day of Mourning to "call the attention to the present deplorable condition of all aborigines, of whatever stage of culture, after 150 years of British rule."

This history highlights the complex relationship Australia's Indigenous people have had with Christianity; church groups have both participated in Aboriginal dispossession *and* supported Aboriginal campaigns for recognition, equality and justice. This bittersweet ambivalence is a cause for both celebration and repentance.

News

"On any given night, nearly 500 young people in Canberra are homeless. Some "couch-surf" with friends, others face a night on the streets or hidden away in the bushlands. No young person should feel like they have nowhere to go. **Raw Potential Canberra** actively provides outreach services to at-risk young people, of 12-25 years, in an effort to help those facing homelessness and violence.

They offer after hours support and a non-judgmental approach to helping those in need. They work in partnership with other local services to go out into the community and engage with young people who cannot, or will not, access services, working with them over time to re-connect them to mainstream society. Your donation to St Philip's Local Mission project will help Raw Potential to do this vital work." If you'd like to know more check out the website at:

https://rawpotential.com.au/about-us/

For the Francophiles among you, the Parish of Holy Cross, Hackett is celebrating a **Eucharistie en langue Francaise** a French Language Eucharist for Bastille Day next Wednesday 14 July at 6pm.

All are welcome.

Bridging the Gap – Breaking the Cycle. Each week St Philip's donates non-perishable food items to **St John's Care** in Reid. The baskets at the back of the church are ready to receive your donations! This week there is a

need for UHT milk, powdered milk, olive oil, Weet-bix, large tinned tuna and pasta meals. Please check the use by dates on foodstuffs, thank you.

The July edition of **Anglican News** is now available at: https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news/anglicannews/Please let the parish know if you would like a printed copy.

This week @ St Philip's

Today Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

8am **Eucharist** 10am **Eucharist**

Wednesday 14 July Feria

7pm Parish Council

Thursday 15 July Feria

10am Eucharist

Friday 16 July Feria

7pm Winter Journey Gathering

Saturday 17 July Feria

10am-1pm Pandora's

11am **Eucharist** – Kankinya

Sunday 18 July Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 8am Eucharist

Eucharist 10am

Readings: Jeremiah 23:1-16, Psalm 23, Ephesians 2:11-22, Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Rosters

		11-Jul-21	18-Jul-21	25-Jul-21
	Sunday of Month	2nd	3rd	4th
	Liturgical Season	7th Sunday after Pentecost	8th Sunday after Pentecost	9th Sunday after Pentecost
	Flowers	Flower Team	Flower Team	Flower Team
8am	Celebrant	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)		Rev'd Canon Scott	
	Sidespeople	Alison & Alistair	volunteers	Tim & Shane
	Liturgical Assistant	Ellie P		Brian McK
	1st Bible reader - OT	Alistair D	Julianne S	Susan J
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Alison D	Rebecca P	Shane W
10am	Celebrant	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Canon Scott	Rev'd Martin
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)			
	Sidespeople & Welcomer	Helen & Hardy P & Laura W	Janene B, Jeannette McH & Richard G	Sally A, Fred A & Vicki L
	Liturgical Assistant	Rebecca K	Rev'd Martin	Philippa W
	Musician(s) & Singers/Soloist	Colin F	Colin F	Colin F
	1st Bible reader - OT	Laura W	Sarah B	Tim G
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Ann M	Ashton R	Colin D
	Morning Tea	Janene B	Jan G	Ann M
		School holidays		